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FM AMCONGEN PORT MORESBY

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INFO AMEMBASSY CANBERRA

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E.O. 11652: N/A

SUBJECT: VOTE ON INDEPENDENCE DAY AND CONSTITUTION
DEFERRED

THE PNG CABINET HAS REPORTEDLY DECIDED TO DELAY THE VOTE ON
THE DATE OF INDEPENDENCE AND ON THE REPORT OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL
PLANNING COMMITTEE UNTIL A SPECIAL SESSION OF THE HOUSE
OF ASSEMBLY IN AUGUST. SOMARE IS APPARENTLY NO LONGER
PUSHING FOR INDEPENDENCE FIRST AND THE CONSTITUTION LATER.
HE NOW APPEARS WILLING TO HAVE RPT TO HAVE NEW MOVE
FORWARD CONCURRENTLY OR EVEN HAVE THE CONSTITUTION DECIDED
UPON FIRST. TENSIONS WITHIN GOVERNMENT APPEAR TO CONTINUE.

SOMARE SAID AT HIS JULY 4 PRESS CONFERENCE THAT HE IS STILL
HOPEFUL OF GETTING SUPPORT FOR HIS DECEMBER 1 INDEPENDENCE
DATE AND HAD NOT CONSIDERED ANY ALTERNATIVE DATE. SOURCE CLOSE
TO SOMARE CONFIRM THAT HE EXPECTS THE DECEMBER 1 DATE TO
HOLD.

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